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INFORMATION FURNISHED IN CONFORMITY WITH THE CONVENTION ON REGISTRATION OF OBJECTS LAUNCHED INTO OUTER SPACE

Note verbale dated 19 June 1978 from the Permanent Mission of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and, in conformity with article IV of the 1976 Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space, has the honour to transmit herewith information concerning space objects launched into earth orbit or beyond by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics during March 1978 and concerning objects previously launched into earth orbit which are no longer in orbit.

REGISTRATION DATA ON SPACE OBJECTS LAUNCHED BY THE USSR IN MARCH 1978

I. In March 1978, the USSR launched the following space objects:

No.	Name of space object	Date of launching	Basic orbit characteristics				General purpose of space object
			Apogee (km)	Perigee (km)	Inclination (degrees)	Period, minutes	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1228	Soyuz-28	2 March	309	269	51.6	90.0	Delivery to the Salyut-6 station of the first international "Intercosmos" team consisting of A. A. Gubarev (USSR) and V. Remek (Czechoslovak Socialist Republic) to carry out scientific research and experiments jointly developed by Soviet and Czechoslovak specialists
1229	Molniya-1	3 March	40 733	632	62.8	738	Operation of the long-range telephone and telegraph radio-communications system in the USSR and transmission of USSR central television programmes to stations in the Orbita network
1230	Cosmos-992	4 March	346	210	71.4	89.8	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
1231	Cosmos-993	10 March	368	182	72.9	89.7	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
1232	Cosmos-994	15 March	1 023	996	82.9	105	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1233	Cosmos-995	17 March	262	221	81.4	89.1	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
1234	Cosmos-996	28 March	1 021	970	82.9	104.8	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
1235	Cosmos-997 1/	30 March	230	200	51.6	88.7	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
1236	Cosmos-998 1/						
1237	Cosmos-999	30 March	376	180	71.4	89.8	Investigation of the upper atmosphere and outer space
1238	Cosmos-1000	31 March	1 024	978	83	104.9	Completion of work on a space navigation system designed to permit determination of the position of Soviet naval and fishing vessels

1/ Objects 1235 and 1236 were launched by a single carrier rocket. All objects were launched from the territory of the USSR.

II. In March 1978, the following space objects ceased to exist and were no longer in earth orbit as of 2400 hours Moscow time, 31 March:

Molniya-2/1972-075A/
Soyuz-28/1978-023A/
Cosmos-992/1978-025A/
Cosmos-993/1978-027A/
Cosmos-995/1978-030A/
Cosmos-997/1978-032A/
Cosmos-998/1978-032B/